

RELIGION'S HELP IN LI

KEENON BY THE REV. RICHARD D. COOPER LAST SUNDAY EVENING
 THE AMBROSIAN MELODION GIVEN IN STANTON THE HEAVY STRIKES OF LIFE—ITS SCARCITY OF POWER IS ONE'S HARBORING PERFECTLY ITS SOURCE OF ENCOURAGEMENT IS THE OF DEATH.
 The Rev. Mr. Hargrett, pastor of the Church, presided to one of the largest congregations in this family evening that has been in the church. The text was from John Jeremiah, 11th chapter and 5th verse. "If thou be at war with the footmen and have wearied thee, then how canst thou rest with the burdens?" And if in the land of thy sojourn thou trustest in thy weapons of war, how will there be the sojournings of Jeroboam? Men may be so bold enough, said the preacher, the hour of prosperity to call themselves safe, but the hour of adversity makes them flee. In the light of his culture the Greek crosses in altar, and where Paul

on earth—there could appear to that present of the Unknown God, the consciousness of all men. The felt want would be God, or religion, which means with God; and you trust estimate that will be a time in every man's life when I greatly need this protecting power. The meaning of the text is this: If the little of life often makes us to compare how low we are when we shall be exposed to greater trials to enemies more powerful! And if we under small difficulties, what will we do under greater ones come upon us? Now, to a few the practical thoughts growing out of this I invite your attention.

And the perishing care of this life need the helps afforded by the religion of Christ. I've heard men say that religion is a good thing to have in the hour and after death. I've heard them talk as if it were for death—like a ticket of admission into the Such offers are so the wicked profligate's plea—'Let me die the death of the righteous and live with them.'

need the helps afforded by the religion of Christ. I've heard men say that religion is a good thing to have in the hour and our death. I've heard them talk as if it were for death—as if a ticket of admission into such often offer up the wicked prophet's prayer—“Let me die that I may be at rest.” I mean my last end be like his!” This is a silly prayer and no good man will offer it. It is worse than folly to ask to die the Christian's if you refuse to live the Christian's. Good living alone will insure good death. And the sooner men come to see this the

for themselves and the world. I do not care
there is a genuine case of death-bed repen-
tance and change of heart in some bountiful and
prove this by facts. Religion is not a safe
net for death and many a man has run
when it was too late. "Oh, if I had only
Christian I would not have been led as I
would not have yielded." He fell out of
when running with the footmen.

There have been, and so have I, men who
down by mistake. How the history of
mercilessly while the last ten years of
the end was I rather than the death
failure came have swallowed poison, some
leaped into the river, and only the other
read an account of one who pushed it

into a furnace and burned his head off, if a note helped in which he invited all who wished to be free from the annoyances of the world to follow his example. Without religious ideas by the horses.

On the other hand men are often made miserable by misfortune, who have the support of religion. Some years ago a merchant of New York sold all his property and went to India. There he purchased land and a small mill upon it. In a single night he lost all his wealth, not all his means were swept by a freak; but he was a Christian and that promise of God to him upon, "All shall work together for your good." All

storm was over he went out to look
wreck of his property, and as he gazed
the chapel ploughed out by the sea
discovered a rich vein of gold. He
thought to be a great celebrity was the
quickest way to great riches. This
may seem to us to be a great satisfaction
for a blessing of the richest kind.

David felt this when he exclaimed,
our refuge and strength, a very present
help in trouble." The time of need will
it may be in the hour of prosperity, but
the hour of adversity, but come it will
use, need this prop to lean on in rich-
ness. You say you can get along

acknowledge," "Yes," you say in a
the room and the dying hours. "Prepare for
said the old rabbi to his students, "and
for you die," "But," quoth the
"how shall we know the day before
"Oh," said he, "as you know not but
may die to-morrow, prepare to-day."

The Dr. Lathrop was Daniel M.
pastor in Boston for more than thirty
years in a recent letter concerning his
will, written on the 10th of May, 1880, he
declared was buried. "It was appar-
ent, the light in the room was a strong
green the fire-light and the waning day-
light. He came into the room with a

yet grand, solemn life. Our greeting was
lent pressure of the hand and we sat. I
did not feel that it was I, for my knee
his presence and he did not speak, nor
ed his face: He looked at me, not as a
or denouncing that I should speak, but
simple presence was an expression of my
grateful to him. At length, after the time
name very compressive, though I might
not last very long, he turned to me and
said at this hour, Mr. Lottings, that
gives dignity and glory to man is con-
the religion of Jesus Christ. If Nature
could with that on my tombstone at
where I hope to be buried, after my

the simple inscription: "He was in the Gospel of Christ"—the best thing he said of any man." This is value more from one of the ablest statesmen of the strongest thinkers this age has produced. These are words which are written with a pen of iron in our history! What a difference between the and the saddle of Robert Ingalls! difference between the man and their

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Before you begin your heavy day after a Winter of relaxation, your eyes

cleansing and strengthening to protect against attack of Ague, Malaria or Typhoid, some other Spring sickness that will for a season's work. You will save sickness and great expense by taking a bottle of *Wey's Bitters* in your family. Don't wait.—*Fortnightly Magazine*.

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